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Amendment In Reply to the August 7, 2003 Office Action
and Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time

Dear Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 7, 2003, in the above-referenced patent application. A reply was due November 7, 2003. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time, until February 7, 2004. The fee for a small entity for a three-month extension of time is \$475.00 and authorization is hereby given to deduct this amount from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

This response contains the following:

Listing and Status of the Claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks, beginning on page 4 of this paper.

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered and considered by the Examiner.